

REMARKS

Responsive to the requirement for restriction,
applicants elect Group I, claims 1-5, with traverse.

It is believed that the requirement is improper and
should not be repeated, for the following reasons:

1. The device of claim 6 expressly uses the method of
claim 1. Therefore, it is not accurate to say that the device of
claim 6 could be used in the practice of a method other than
claim 1.

2. Thus, there is not even one-way distinctness between
the groups of claims, much less two-way distinctness.

3. Separate classification is no indication of the
propriety of a requirement for restriction. Classification is
solely for the convenience of the Patent Office and the searching
public and cannot diminish an applicant's rights in any way.

Therefore, an action on the merits of all the claims is
respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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